IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

AMENDING THE REQUIRED WARNING LANGUAGE OF RULE 16(B), ARIZONA RULES OF PROBATE PROCEDURE

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER No. 2020-064

Due to a concern for the spread of COVID-19 in the general population, Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 2020-67 authorizes the Superior Court of Arizona in each county to modify the second sentence of the second paragraph of the Required Warning language set forth in Rule 16(b), Arizona Rules of Probate Procedure, to accommodate telephonic or video appearances. Accordingly, Administrative Order 2020-061 was issued on April 20, 2020. A limited expansion of court operations planned for May 1, 2020 will require a change in the procedure set forth in that Administrative Order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that effective May 1, 2020, Administrative Order 2020-061 is replaced by this Administrative Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, effective May 1, 2020, the second sentence of the second paragraph of the Required Warning language set forth in Rule 16(b), Arizona Rules of Probate Procedure, is modified to read as follows:

However, if you oppose any of the relief requested in the petition that accompanies this notice, you must file with the court a written response at least 7 calendar days before the hearing date, <u>OR</u> you or your attorney must contact the division assigned to the case at the time of hearing using the following instructions: <u>At least 30 minutes</u> before the time of the hearing, call the assigned Judicial Officer's division at the phone number listed below and request instructions on how to appear electronically at the hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, in addition to the information required by Rule 16(a), Arizona Rules of Probate Procedure, all notices of an initial hearing on a petition required by Rule 15(d), Arizona Rules of Probate Procedure, must contain the telephone number for the Judicial Officer before whom the petition is set for hearing.

This order shall be effective for all notices of hearing that are dated on or after May 1, 2020 and shall remain in effect for as long as Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 2020-67 is effective or until superseded by further order of this Court, whichever occurs first.

Dated this 27th day of April, 2020

/s/ Andrew G. Klein

Hon. Andrew G. Klein

Probate and Mental Health Department

Presiding Judge

Original: Clerk of the Superior Court

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